

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EFFICIENTLY VIEWING A NUMBER OF  
SELECTED COMPONENTS USING A DATABASE EDITOR TOOL

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5           A method and apparatus for efficiently viewing selected  
cells using a database editor tool. By using a cell  
selection list that identifies a number of selected  
components, the present invention may allow the user to  
sequentially view the selected components by using a number  
10 of pre-defined "hot-keys". In addition, the present  
invention may automatically set the design hierarchy in the  
database editor tool to an appropriate level so that the  
component being viewed can be easily manipulated by the  
circuit designer.

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